

ILLINOIS SELF-INSURERS ADVISORY BOARD
ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
March 14, 2007
Chicago, IL 10:30 A.M.

Attendees: Chairman Ruth, Gerald Cooper, Paul McCloskey, David Taylor, Maria Sarli-Dehlin, Lynette Thompson-Edwards

Chairman Ruth called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M. A previously prepared agenda was distributed, a copy of which is attached.

I. Minutes

Upon motion by Paul McCloskey, seconded by Gerald Cooper, the minutes of the Board meeting held on December 13, 2006, were unanimously approved as presented.

II. Chairman's Report

Chairman Ruth reported that the new Commission panel was meeting regularly and that within a year the effect of the new panel should be seen.

He further reported that the Insurance Compliance division was hiring investigators statewide and had collected \$500,000 in fines.

Chairman Ruth stated arbitration was running smoothly, trials had increased and the current caseload was at a comfortable level.

He further stated future plans included making review decisions available on the Commission's website and upgrading the computer technology.

Chairman Ruth also reported that the Human Resources manager had resigned.

III. Manager's Report

A. Bankruptcy-Exposure to Security Fund

Maria Sarli-Dehlin presented the Board with the Bankruptcy-Exposure to Security Fund report as of 12/31/06.

B. Security Fund Forecast 12/31/06

Maria Sarli-Dehlin presented to the Board the security fund forecast as of 12/31/06. She also presented a report of payments made by self-insured employers under bankruptcy protection that continue to pay workers' compensation benefits.

Maria Sarli-Dehlin informed the Board that based on the assessment fund balance and the assessments collected in response to the 1/26/07 mailing, she anticipates requesting authority to issue another assessment at the next meeting.

IV. Committee Report

None

V. New Business

None

At 11:05 A.M., the Chairman moved to go into closed session to discuss litigation/attorney's report pursuant to 2(c)11 of the Open Meetings Act. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the public portion of the meeting, after which the Board convened in closed session.

After closed session, the Board reconvened in open session. The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for 6/13/07 in Springfield. There being no further business, upon motion by Gerald Cooper, seconded by David Taylor and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.